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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: GAO Request for Classified Study

1. [] of OCR/Central Library Division/Document Services Branch, called regarding a request they had received from the GAO classified Library for a Mr. Clifford Davis, of GAO, who is doing a study of the Theatre Nuclear Forces Mission. As background reading for this review, Mr. Davis wanted a copy of the classified Agency publication Balance of Nuclear Forces in Central Europe.

[] had contacted the Office of Security to determine if Mr. Davis had the necessary clearances before sending him the document. Security suggested that [] call our office before taking any further action.

2. After discussing the matter with [] and [] of OLC, I called Mr. Davis (phone: 275-3470) to find out further details on his study. This study is not being done at the request of a specific Congressional committee or subcommittee, but is in fact a self-generated GAO study. I explained to Mr. Davis that GAO is given access to classified Agency publications for a GAO study only when GAO confirms to the Agency that the study is being conducted on behalf of a committee or subcommittee. Mr. Davis said he understood and quite frankly felt he had more than enough information available to him from other agencies to complete this report. I advised [] not to take any further action on this request.

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